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Identity of Assignee

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Name of disclaimant: Dorothy R. Auth of Morgan & Finnegan, 345 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10154. Disclaimant represents she is a Registered Patent Attorney, Registration No. 36,434, and an Attorney of Record for the above identified application, and authorized to sign on behalf of the assignee identified above.

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The extent of the assignee's interest is in the whole of this invention.

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